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# **PUNISHER**

THE  
**PUNISHER**

**YES**  
**I KILLED**  
**YOUR**  
**GIRLFRIEND...**

**WHAT CAN**  
**YOU**  
**DO ABOUT**  
**IT?**

TOM  
MORRIS

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SKIN TONE'S PERFECT, JAKE... BUT ALL THE SYNAPSES ARE SUPER CONDUCTORS--YOU'LL HAVE TO GET USED TO THE FASTER REACTIONS.

THE TUNGSTEN POLYMER CHASSIS HOUSES MICRO-FUSION MOTORS, SO-- OF COURSE--IT WILL BE A LOT STRONGER.

ANY DIS-COMFORT?

ONLY JAKE GALLOWES FEELS PAIN. DIS-COMFORT MEANS NOTHING TO THE PUNISHER.

JAKE... QUIT TALKING LIKE THAT.

LIKE WHAT...? OH--THAT WASN'T ME-- THAT WAS THE PUNISHER.

LOOK, YOU'RE WORRYING ME... WORRYING ME. CAN YOU STOP THIS JAKE AND PUNISHER ROUTINE? YOU TALK ABOUT YOURSELF AS THOUGH YOU'RE TWO PEOPLE.

MATT... YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND.

BUT BELIEVE ME, WE NEED THE PUNISHER RIGHT NOW...

HE'S DISCOVERED THE FEARMASTER IS A FOURTH ENCOUNTERIST AT A TEMPLE OF THE IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT...

WE CAN'T WAIT FOR SUNDAY SERVICE.

SUNDAY IS THE DAY OF PUNISHMENT!



WHAT'S HAPPENING  
OVER THERE...?

ECO-COPS-- THEY'RE  
ARRESTING TWO DEGENS...

GET THIS  
RUBBISH  
BACK IN  
ITS BIN!

ECO-ALPHA NINER TO ALCHEMAX  
GENE CONTROL. HAVE LOCATED  
ESCAPEES-- TEST SUBJECTS  
HX3 AND HX5. LIQUIDATE  
OR RETURN?

RETURN.  
WE HAVEN'T  
FINISHED THE  
HORMONE  
EXTRACTION  
PROCESS  
YET.

WE'RE NOT NUMBERS!  
WE'RE PEOPLE!  
JYM AND CLEERE!

WE LOVE EACH OTHER!  
SURELY WE HAVE  
SOME RIGHTS? IS IT  
SO WRONG TO...

ALCHEMAX OWNS  
YOUR COPY-  
RIGHT... YOU'RE  
JUST BODIES  
FOR SCIENCE  
AND COMMERCE!

**WAAK!**



HIS FAMILY WAS MURDERED BY A PSYCHOPATH IN AN AGE WHERE JUSTICE CAN BE BOUGHT AND NO ONE BELIEVES IN OLD FASHIONED PUNISHMENT ANYMORE... NO ONE EXCEPT JAKE GALLOWAY... A WEAPONS SPECIALIST IN THE PUBLIC EYE POLICE FORCE BY DAY, AT NIGHT HE IS INCORRUPTIBLE JUSTICE.

STAN LEE PRESENTS:

# THE PUNISHER 2099

First they came for the Jews and I did not speak out -- because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists and I did not speak out -- because I was not a Communist. Then they came for the Trade Unionists and I did not speak out -- because I was not a Trade Unionist. Then they came for me -- and there was no one left to speak out for me.

PASTOR NIEMOLLER

ISN'T IT SHOCKING? WHAT'S THE WORLD COMING TO THESE DAYS?

BUT THEY ARE ACTING WITHIN THE LAW!

WE DON'T MAKE THE RULES... BUT WE HAVE TO LIVE BY THEM!

DON'T MAKE WAVES!

HEY... WHAT CAN I DO? I WORK FOR ALCHEMAX. BE MORE THAN MY JOB'S WORTH!

YOU CAN'T KICK THE SYSTEM WITHOUT PAYING!

## THE PUBLIC ENEMY FILE PART TWO SILENCE OF THE SHEEP

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HOLY #GNG!  
LET'S GET  
OUT OF  
HERE!

WE DON'T  
WANT TO GET  
INVOLVED...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE SHOULD  
HAVE DONE, BUT THAT WAS  
GOING TOO FAR.

YES--WE ALL CARE ABOUT THESE  
ISSUES BUT THERE'S NO NEED TO  
RESORT TO VIOLENCE!

YOU CLICHE-RIDDEN  
COWARDLY SHEEP!

HAPPY TO  
STAND ON THE SIDE-  
WALK AND WATCH THE  
SHOW...WHILE SOMEONE  
ELSE DOES YOUR  
DIRTY WORK!

HEY--DON'T  
TURN ON US...WE  
DIDN'T DO ANYTHING,  
MAN, OKAY?

EXACTLY.  
AND THAT'S WHY  
YOU'RE TO  
BLAME.

YOU'RE THE  
PROBLEM...  
YOU'RE THE  
GUILTY ONES!

AND I AM  
THE ULTIMATE  
HERO! THE ONE  
WHO DEALS WITH  
THE REAL  
VILLAINS...!

THE DISGUSTING,  
SELF-RIGHTEOUS,  
SPINELESS, WHINING  
PUBLIC!

**BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA**





GO ON,  
RUN SHEEP!  
BAAA! BAAA!  
BAAAA!

RUN BACK INTO YOUR  
MISERABLE LIVES-- CLOSE YOUR  
DOORS AND CLOSE YOUR MINDS!  
BLOCK OUT THE NASTY  
REAL WORLD!

DON'T BE FRIGHTENED OF  
ME, I'M ON YOUR SIDE...  
WHERE WERE YOU GUYS  
GOING, ANYWAY?

WE... WE'D HEARD OF  
MATT AXEL'S HOSTEL...  
WHERE WE COULD  
FIND SANCTUARY.

BUT MATT'S PLACE  
IS IN THE OPPOSITE  
DIRECTION.

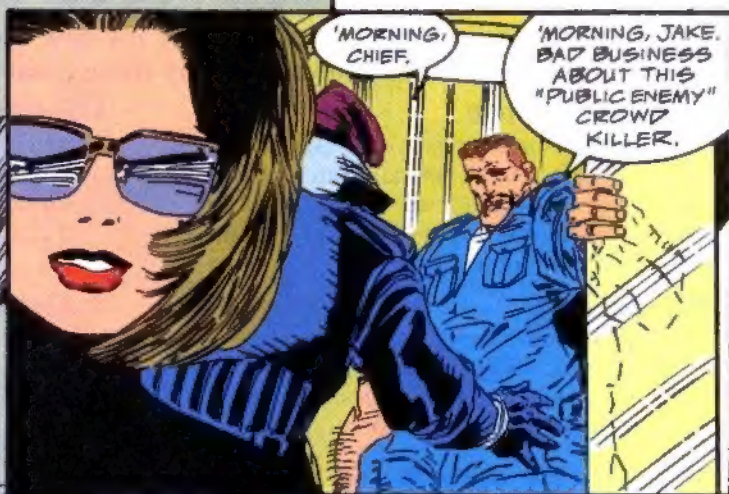
WELL, WE  
THOUGHT IF WE JUST  
KEPT WALKING LONG  
ENOUGH, WE'D GET THERE  
EVENTUALLY.

COME ON.  
I'LL TAKE YOU  
THERE.





GOT THROUGH THE SECURITY DETECTOR OKAY... THE TUNGSTEN POLYMER OF MY NEW ARM IS INDISTINGUISHABLE FROM FLESH...



'MORNING, CHIEF.

'MORNING, JAKE. BAD BUSINESS ABOUT THIS "PUBLIC ENEMY" CROWD KILLER.

STILL... I GUESS A "PUBLIC ENEMY" NEEDS A "PUBLIC EYE" TO DEAL WITH HIM?

NOT ACCORDING TO OUR ATTORNEYS...

COME ON, CHIEF... DON'T TELL ME NO ONE IN THAT CROWD WAS A PUBLIC EYE SUBSCRIBER?



ON THE CONTRARY... THEY NEARLY ALL WERE. BUT OUR INSURANCE DEPARTMENT SAYS IT WAS A "CROWD DEATH" AND A CROWD IS TECHNICALLY A RIOT.



AS YOU KNOW, THE POLICY DOESN'T COVER RIOTS...

NOW IF THEY'D TAKEN OUT OUR FULLY COMPREHENSIVE "SUPER COP" PERSONAL PROTECTION PLAN, IT WOULD BE ANOTHER MATTER...





AND, AFTER ALL, IT WAS THE ECO-GUYS HE KILLED---NOT OUR DEPARTMENT..

ER... WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOUR HAND, JAKE? WHAT'S IT DOING ON YOUR GUN...?

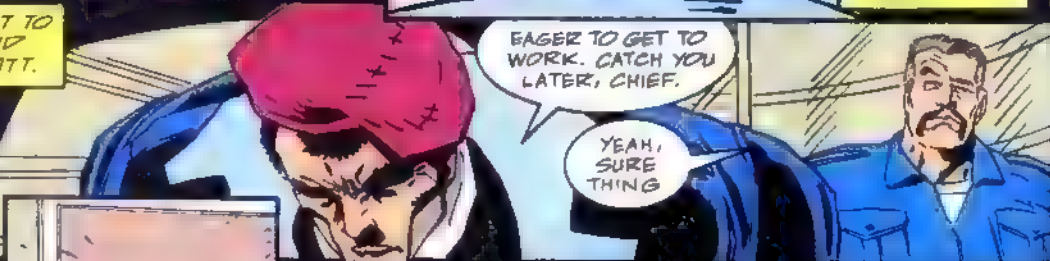
MY HAND...?



IT'S THE PUNISHER... HE'S IN MY ARM... HE WANTS TO TAKE CONTROL AND PUNISH THE CHIEF!

HE DOESN'T LIKE WHAT HE'S SAYING-- HE WANTS TO BLOW HIM AWAY!

GOT TO FIND MATT.



EASER TO GET TO WORK. CATCH YOU LATER, CHIEF.

YEAH, SURE THING



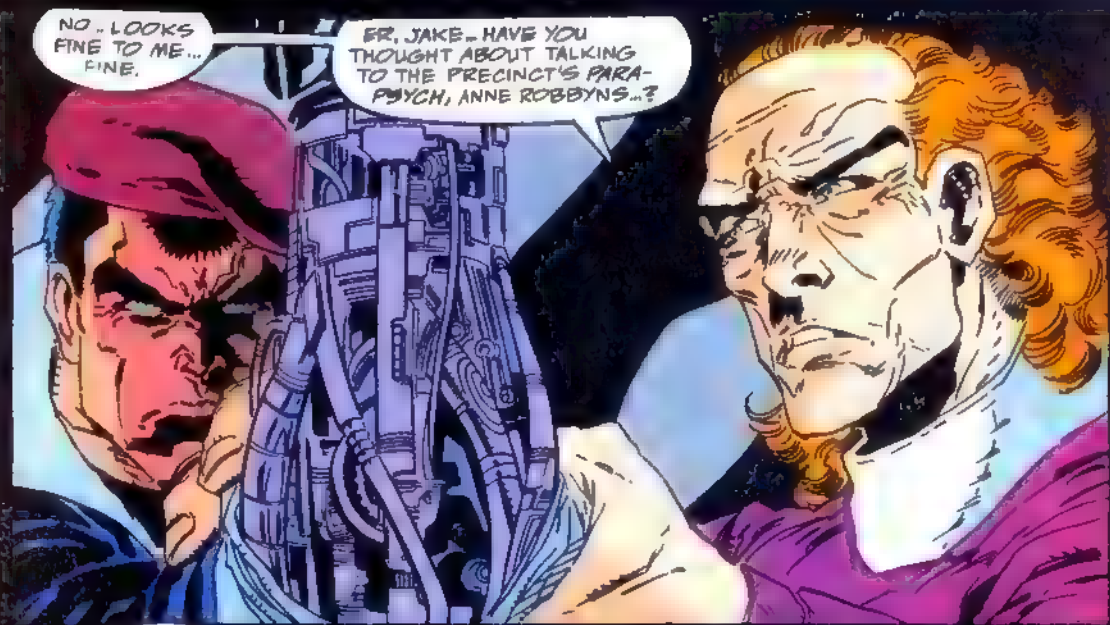
MATT AXEL  
RESEARCH TECHNIQUE  
SPECIAL WEAPONS  
DEPT

AH, JAKE. GLAD YOU'RE HERE WANTED TO SHOW YOU THIS... DOING A BIT OF PUNISHER WORK IN OFFICE TIME... IT'S CALLED THE SKY SHARK...

SHOULD BE READY IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS

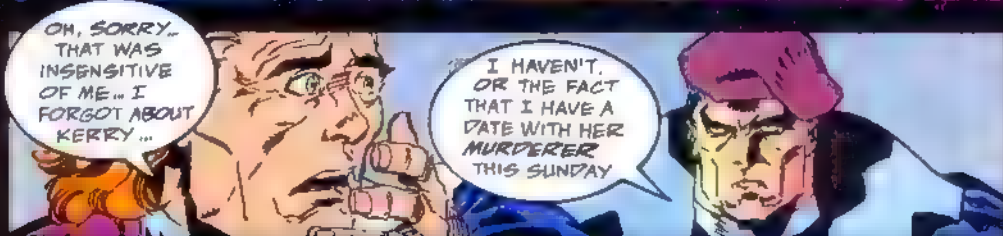
NEVER MIND THAT, MATT... YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME... SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO MY ARM... THE PUNISHER'S POSSESSED IT!





NO... LOOKS  
FINE TO ME...  
FINE.

ER, JAKE... HAVE YOU  
THOUGHT ABOUT TALKING  
TO THE PRECINCT'S PARA-  
PSYCH, ANNE ROBBYNS..?



OH, SORRY...  
THAT WAS  
INSENSITIVE  
OF ME... I  
FORGOT ABOUT  
KERRY...

I HAVEN'T,  
OR THE FACT  
THAT I HAVE A  
DATE WITH HER  
MURDERER  
THIS SUNDAY



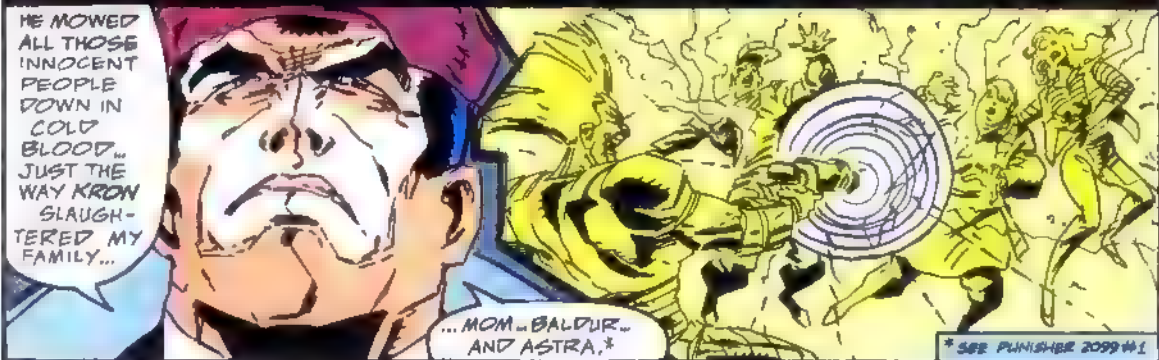
CAREFUL, JAKE...  
FROM WHAT YOU  
TELL ME, THIS  
FEARMASTER IS  
NO ORDINARY  
VILLAIN.

I'LL BE WORKING AT THE  
HOSTEL OVER THE WEEKEND  
IF YOU NEED ME.



I ALSO WANT  
TO FIND THE  
PUBLIC ENEMY...  
IF THE DEPART-  
MENT WON'T  
BRING HIM TO  
JUSTICE, THE  
PUNISHER  
WILL!

ER...  
YEAH, THE  
MURDERING  
SCUM



HE MOWED  
ALL THOSE  
INNOCENT  
PEOPLE  
DOWN IN  
COLD  
BLOOD...  
JUST THE  
WAY KRON  
SLAUGH-  
TERED MY  
FAMILY...

... MOM - BALDUR -  
AND ASTRA.\*

\* SEE PUNISHER 2099 #1



# Temple of the Identified Flying Object

Sunday Service

Darryl King,

FELLOW STAR-  
WATCHERS, WE WHO  
AWAIT THE COMING OF  
THE CRYSTAL BEINGS  
FROM THE GALAXY--  
ONCE AGAIN,  
GREETINGS

THERE ARE SOME  
AMONGST YOU WHO  
HAVE MURMURED  
DOUBTS...

...HOW, THEY  
ASK, COULD  
LOVING AND  
OMNIPOTENT  
BEINGS ALLOW  
SUCH EVIL  
IN THE  
WORLD?

WHY DO  
THEY NOT  
INTERVENE  
DIRECTLY  
AND PUT THE  
WORLD TO  
RIGHTS?

AND THERE ARE  
OTHERS WHO EVEN  
DOUBT THEIR VERY  
EXISTENCE...WHO SNEER  
AT THE IDEA OF EXTRA-  
TERRESTRIAL INTELLI-  
GENCES IN 2000

THE ANSWER  
IS, THEY BUT AWAIT  
YOUR MATURITY. THEIR  
WISDOM IS BEYOND  
OUR UNDERSTANDING--  
OR SHOULD I SAY...  
YOUR UNDER-  
STANDING...

AS TO THE SECOND  
QUESTION, SPACE CADETS  
...LORD KERMIZADEK,  
OMNIPOTENT PROCURATOR  
OF THIS QUADRANT OF THE  
GALAXY--HAS AGREED TO  
PERSONALLY APPEAR!

THE  
LIGHT!

THE  
WONDROUS  
LIGHT!

SHOW  
YOUR LOVE FOR  
KERMIZADEK THAT HE  
FULLY MATERIALIZE  
ON THIS PLANE...GIVE  
GENEROUSLY...UN-  
BURDEN YOURSELF  
OF MATERIAL  
WEALTH









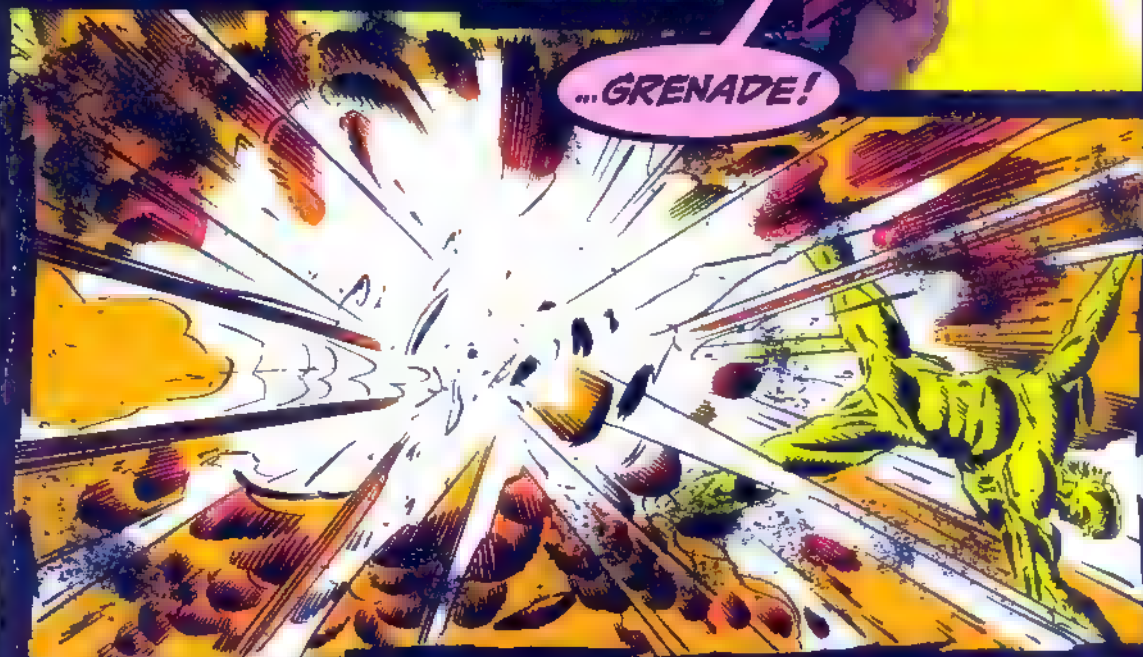
YOU...  
PUNISHER!

YOU DARE  
COMMIT SACRILEGE ON  
THIS HOLY FLIGHT DECK?  
BEFORE ONE OF THE  
GREAT ONES  
THEMSELVES!




OKAY -  
YOU'VE GOT  
AN ENERGY  
SHIELD ...

LET'S  
SEE HOW IT  
HANDLES A  
LOW FREQUENCY,  
DIRECTIONAL  
CONCUSSION ...



...GRENADE!






STRIKE HIM DOWN,  
KELMIZADEK! SHOW  
YOUR POWER!

REDEEM ME BEFORE  
MY CREW!

NEVER FOUGHT  
A CRYSTAL  
BEING BEFORE...  
WHATEVER IT IS,  
IT'S REAL... AND  
I'M NOT SURE  
HOW TO HANDLE  
IT...




STRIKE  
DOWN  
THE UN-  
BELIEVER!




THAT THING'S NOT  
JUST FOR SHOW...


I'D NEED  
MATT'S SKY  
SHARK TO  
CHASE HIM...  
AND IT'S NOT  
READY YET.



IT... IT'S  
FADING  
AWAY...  
IT'S  
DESERT-  
ING  
HIM!



SHOCK! HE'S  
GETTING INTO  
THE EMERGENCY  
ESCAPE POD!



GOTTA FIND  
OUT WHERE  
THE FEAR-  
MASTER'S  
HEADED...  
THINK I'LL HAVE  
A WORD WITH  
SOME OF HIS  
"PARISHIONERS"





HELLO,  
MATT.

SABER...?  
SABER  
HAGEN...?



I'VE BROUGHT  
TWO NEW FRIENDS  
FOR YOU. CAN YOU  
LOOK AFTER  
THEM, MATT?

SO IT  
WAS YOU WHO  
SLAUGHTERED ALL  
THOSE INNOCENT  
PEOPLE!

WHEN I HEARD  
A RED DOG WAS  
INVOLVED, I  
HALF SUSPECTED  
AS MUCH...

I GUESS  
I DIDN'T WANT  
TO BELIEVE  
THAT YOU  
WERE...

THE PUBLIC  
ENEMY!

BECAUSE  
THEY'RE ALL  
GUILTY,  
MATT! GUILTY  
AS SIN!

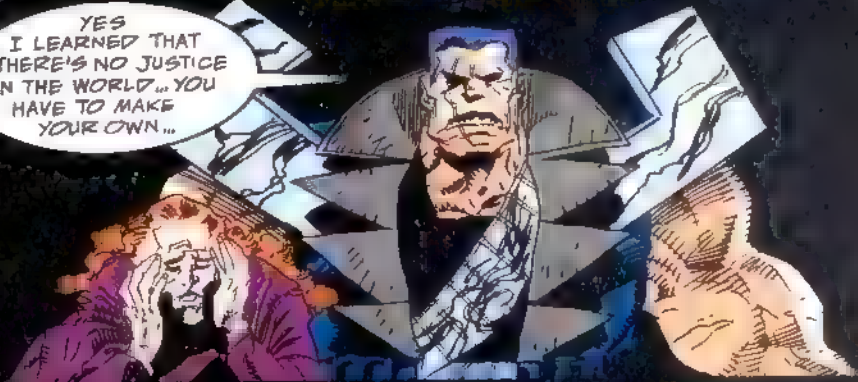




MURDERER!

OH, SABER. DID YOU LEARN NOTHING WHEN YOU WERE WITH ME...? NOTHING...?

YES I LEARNED THAT THERE'S NO JUSTICE IN THE WORLD... YOU HAVE TO MAKE YOUR OWN...



IS THAT ALL? WHAT ABOUT COMPASSION? MERCY? WHAT ABOUT THAT?

SURE YOU TAUGHT ME COMPASSION. THAT'S WHY I SAVED THESE TWO.

DON'T CONDEMN ME, MATT. YOU OF ALL PEOPLE KNOW WHY I DO IT.

SABER... PROMISE ME YOU'LL STOP... BEFORE YOU'RE KILLED!

HAH.. I COULD TAKE OUT THE WHOLE PUBLIC EYE ON MY OWN. I'M A RED DOG

"...AND THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STATE OF THIS SICK WORLD MUST BE PUNISHED"



IT'S NOT THE PUBLIC EYE I'M WORRIED ABOUT!



KELMIZADEK...? WHY...? WHY DID YOU DESERT ME?

I NEEDED YOU! YOU COULD HAVE WIPE OUT THE PUNISHER WITH A GESTURE!

IT IS NOT OUR WAY TO DIRECTLY INTERFERE WITH THE LOWER SPECIES, KING.

YOU INTERFERE PLENTY! I'VE OFTEN USED YOU TO IMPRESS MY CONGREGATIONS!

DID WE SIMPLY GIVE A GUN TO A CHILD...? WHO IS NO USE TO ANYONE AND A DANGER TO HIMSELF?

YES... THROUGHOUT EARTH'S HISTORY WE HAVE BUILT UP MANY MESSIAHS AND DICTATORS... AND THEN WE LEAVE THEM TO THEIR INSUFFICIENT HUMANITY.

NOW, LOOK--WE HAD A DEAL! YOU ELEVATED ME AMONGST THE RANKS OF MEN, WHILST I--

WE USE YOU, KING. YOU DON'T USE US WE GAVE YOU YOUR HAND SO YOU COULD BEND THE MASSES TO OUR WILL.

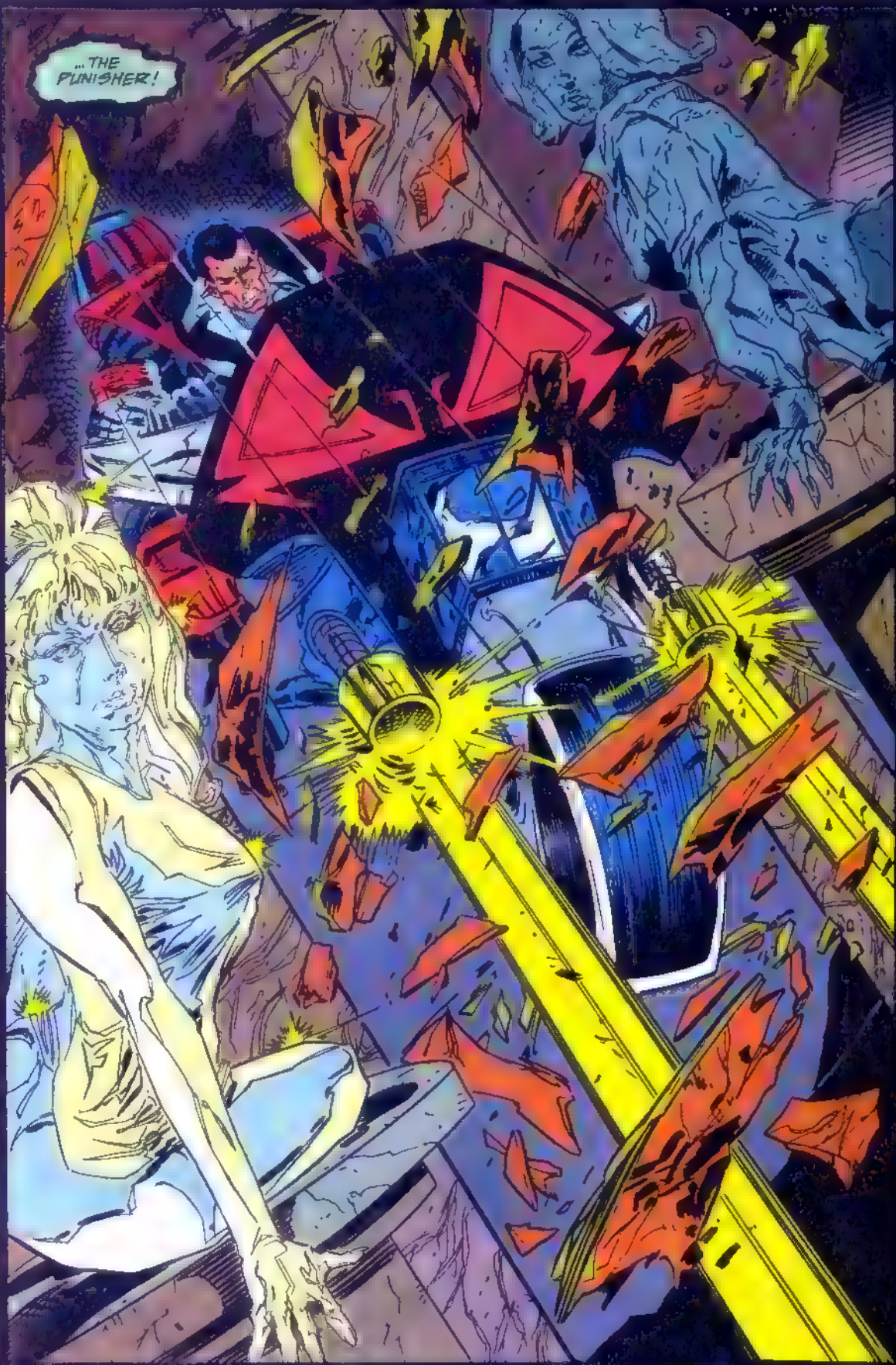
AS WE MUST LEAVE YOU NOW...

...WE SENSE YOUR NEMESIS APPROACHING.

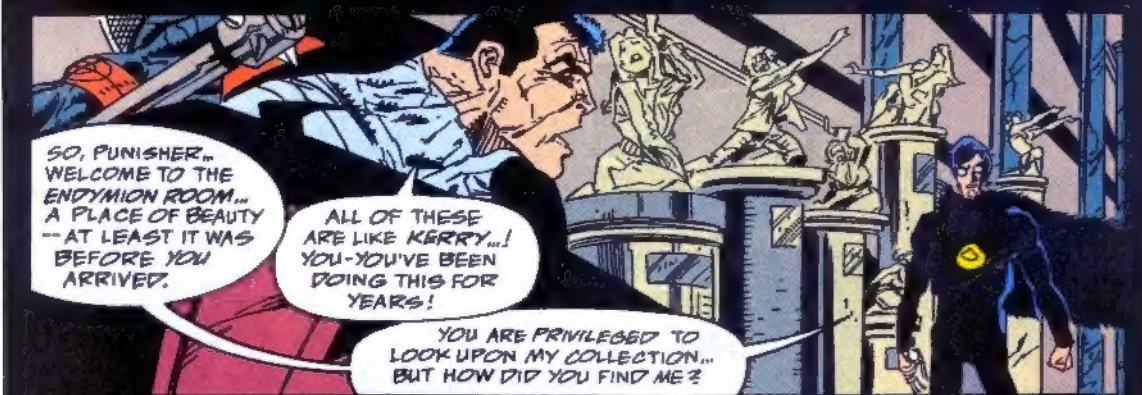
WE SHALL CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE LATER... IF YOU SURVIVE YOUR MEETING WITH...



...THE  
PUNISHER!







SO, PUNISHER...  
WELCOME TO THE  
ENDYMION ROOM...  
A PLACE OF BEAUTY  
--AT LEAST IT WAS  
BEFORE YOU  
ARRIVED.

ALL OF THESE  
ARE LIKE KERRY...!  
YOU-YOU'VE BEEN  
DOING THIS FOR  
YEARS!

YOU ARE PRIVILEGED TO  
LOOK UPON MY COLLECTION...  
BUT HOW DID YOU FIND ME?

I "QUESTIONED" SOME  
OF YOUR FLIGHT CREW  
BACK AT THE TEMPLE.  
THEY WERE KIND ENOUGH  
TO GIVE ME YOUR  
ADDRESS.

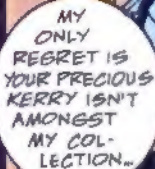
DOES A FLY  
TRACK DOWN  
A SPIDER TO  
HIS WEB...?

YOU  
HAVE  
COME  
HERE  
TO  
DIE!

**KLANG**







MY ONLY  
REGRET IS  
YOUR PRECIOUS  
KERRY ISN'T  
AMONGST  
MY COL-  
LECTION..

I  
HEARD  
SOME FOOL  
SMASHED  
HER TO  
PIECES!

YOU  
GET NO MORE!

MAXIMUM  
DENSITY!

FOR THAT I  
WILL TURN YOU TO  
MUD AND SLIME!

DIE,  
PUNISHER, DIE!





NO!



YOU FOOL!  
YOU'VE DONE  
MY WORK  
FOR ME...

...BY MAKING  
CONTACT WITH MY  
HAND I CAN TURN  
YOU INTO MUD...!



WHAT?  
YOU'RE NOT  
CHANGING!



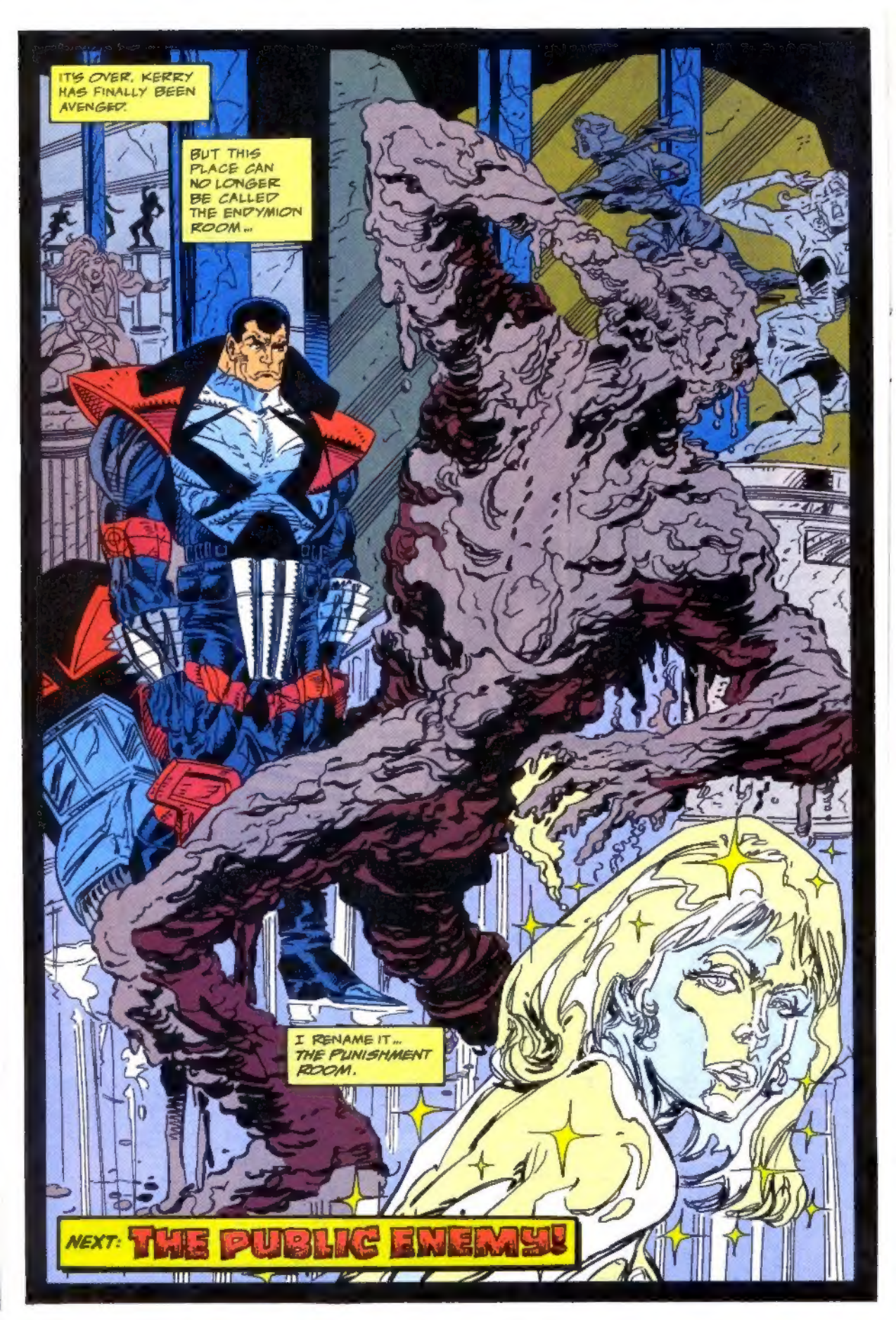
B-BUT IT'S  
PROGRAMMED  
TO TRANSFORM  
FLESH INTO  
CLAY...!

MY HAND'S NOT  
FLESH, BUTTHEAD...  
IT'S POLYMER--  
YOU HAD IT CUT  
OFF, REMEMBER?



AAAGLUK!





IT'S OVER, KERRY  
HAS FINALLY BEEN  
AVENGED.

BUT THIS  
PLACE CAN  
NO LONGER  
BE CALLED  
THE ENDYMION  
ROOM...

I RENAME IT...  
THE PUNISHMENT  
ROOM.

**NEXT: THE PUBLIC ENEMY!**